

In claim 12, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 11" and insert --claim 1--.

In claim 14, line 1, delete "12 or".

In claim 15, line 1, delete "one of the claims 12 to 14" and insert --claim 13--.

In claim 18, line 1, delete "one of the claims 12 to 17" and insert --claim 13--.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate all multiple dependencies. Applicant respectfully requests an examination on the merits of all the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P.

By: _____

Thomas J. Burger

Reg. No. 32,662

2700 Carew Tower
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
(513) 241-2324